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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the Information Disclosure Statement submitted by Applicants in U.S. serial number 08/963,678 filed October 31, 1997 from which the above-referenced application takes priority under 35 U.S.C. §120. Further, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to any other items cited by the Examiner during the prosecution of the patent application serial number 08/963,678. It is believed unnecessary under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a) to submit copies of these previously submitted or cited items which are listed on the enclosed Form 1449. The exception to that is the Bond et al. reference that was previously cited in an amendment filed 6/24/99. A copy of this reference is enclosed.

This information is cited in a spirit of forthrightness and cooperation to enable the applicants to obtain that measure of protection for the invention to which there is entitlement. However, no representation is made that the listed art actually qualifies as prior art under the


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patent statute and the mere use of PTO-1449 is not an admission that all listed references are prior art. No representation is made that applicants know of the best art.

It is believed that this submission does not require the payment of a fee. If this is not correct, please charge any required fee to deposit account no. 07-1969.

Respectfully submitted,


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